#### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

# IN RE ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES FLIGHT ET 302 CRASH

HANS JOACHIM FEIGL and SIEGLINDE RINK-FEIGL, Individually, and as Special Co-Administrators and Co-Representatives of the Estate of ANNE-KATRIN PIA FEIGL, deceased, and on behalf of all Surviving Beneficiaries,

Plaintiffs,

v.

THE BOEING COMPANY, a Delaware corporation; ROSEMOUNT AREOSPACE, INC., a Delaware corporation; ROCKWELL COLLINS, INC., a Delaware corporation,

Defendants.

Lead Case No.: 19-cv-02170

SHORT FORM COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF MASTER COMPLAINT

**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** 

PLAINTIFFS, HANS JOACHIM FEIGL and SIEGLINDE RINK-FEIGL, Individually, and as Special Co-Administrators and Co-Representatives of the Estate of ANNE-KATRIN PIA FEIGL, deceased, COMPLAIN OF THE DEFENDANTS AND EACH OF THEM AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Plaintiffs refer to and incorporate herein by reference the Master Complaint, and any and all later amendments thereto, filed in IN RE ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES FLIGHT ET 302 CRASH, as though fully set forth herein. Plaintiffs hereby adopt the Master Complaint and agree to be bound by any rulings with respect to the pleadings of the Master Complaint.
- 2. Plaintiffs adopt each of the general allegations of the Master Complaint except for those paragraph numbers set forth here, if any: N/A

#### **CLAIMS AGAINST DEFENDANTS**

- 3. Plaintiffs bring those Counts, as applicable, against each of the Defendants in the Master Complaint checked below:
- ⊠ ROSEMOUNT AEROSPACE, INC.
- ⊠ ROCKWELL COLLINS, INC.
- 4. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference each of the Counts in the Master Complaint checked below:

As against THE BOEING COMPANY:

- ☐ Count One for Negligence
- ⊠ Count Two for Breach of Warranty
- ☐ Count Three for Strict Liability
- ⊠ Count Four for Failure to Warn

As against ROSEMOUNT AEROSPACE, INC.:

- ☐ Count Five for Negligence
- ☐ Count Six for Strict Liability
- ⊠ Count Seven for Breach of Warranty

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## **PLAINTIFFS' DAMAGES:**

8. Plaintiffs request the relief checked below:

	All past and future general and compensatory damages in an amount according to proof
trial,	, including the following:
	For Decedent's conscious and physical pain and suffering, fright and terror, fear of
	impending and imminent death, mental anguish, and emotional distress, in an amount
	according to proof at trial.
	For past and future loss of support and services in money or in kind, in an amount
	according to proof at trial.
	For past and future loss of consortium, love, companionship, comfort, care, assistance,
	protection, affection, society, moral support, training, advice, tutelage, and guidance, in
	an amount according to proof at trial.
	For past and future grief, emotional distress, and sorrow, in an amount according to
	proof at trial.
	For funeral expenses, burial expenses, estate administration expenses, and other related
	expenses in an amount according to proof at trial.
	For expenses for the identification and/or transportation of Decedent's remains,
	according to proof at trial.
	For all property losses, in an amount according to proof at trial.
]	For attorneys' fees, costs and other damages as permitted under applicable laws.
	For punitive and exemplary damages in an amount according to proof at trial;
]	For pre- and post-judgment interest on all damages as allowed by the law.
	For all costs of suit incurred herein.
	For such other and further relief as the Court shall deem just and proper.
]	Other (specify):

#### **ADDITIONAL ALLEGATIONS, IF ANY**

9. Decedent, ANNE-KATRIN FEIGL, is survived by her parents, HANS JOACHIM FEIGL and SIEGLINDE RINK-FEIGL, and her brother LARS-PETER FEIGL. At the time of her death, Anne-Katrin was only 29 years old. Since 2017, Anne-Katrin Feigl was a Junior Professional Officer at the United Nations International Organization for Migration ("IOM"). She was a member of the Migration Management and Development Unit, with the formal job title of Counter Trafficking and Research Specialist. In reality, Anne-Katrin's responsibilities and work were much broader than her title, including expanding Migrant Protection Activities ("MPA") for vulnerable migrants outside Khartoum, Sudan, where she was temporarily responsible for overseeing all the MPA work of IOM in Sudan until the arrival of a senior staff member. Anne-Katrin oversaw the work of a large team to help open IOM's first Migrant Resource Centre near Khartoum, the success of which was due, in part, to her diligence and the support she gave to her team. At the time of her death aboard Ethiopian Airlines Flight 302, Anne-Katrin was en route to Nairobi for a training course so she could continue to grow in her work with the UN.

Anne-Katrin's family, Hans Joachim, Sieglinde and Lars-Peter, remember her as a passionate, ambitious, and hardworking and especially warmed hearted woman, who dedicated herself to her job and her dream of helping children and women in Africa. Her brother and parents were deeply proud of Anne-Katrin and everything she had achieved. They were devastated to think that her young life of good work was cut so tragically short. Hans Joachim, Sieglinde, and Lars-Peter simply could not believe that their daughter and younger sister will not be coming back to them.

Hans Joachim and Sieglinde have suffered a terrible loss, compounded by the circumstances of the crash and how easily the defendants could have prevented it from occurring. Anne-Katrin's death and the manner in which she died have caused her family severe grief and mental harm, in addition to the loss of companionship, services and support from their daughter.

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The manner in which Anne-Katrin died is particularly distressing due to the terrifying

nature of her final moments. Shortly after take-off, the aircraft began making noticeably

unusual, alarming and uncomfortable movements in response to the erroneous AOA sensor and

MCAS activations. During the last several minutes before ET-302 crashed, Anne-Katrin

experienced violent oscillations of the aircraft, which resulted in her fear of impending death, as

well as physical and mental pre-death pain and suffering. Ultimately, Anne-Katrin was exposed

to extreme forces as the aircraft dove down towards the ground at speeds approaching 600 miles

per hour during which time Anne-Katrin surely knew she was about to die.

**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** 

PLAINTIFFS hereby demand a trial by jury as to all claims in this action.

DATED: Chicago, Illinois

June 9, 2020

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